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- Information Disclosure Statement Under CFR § 1.97(b)(3); 1.
- Form PTO-1449 listing 128 references; 2.
- 3. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under CFR § 1.97(e);
- 4. Form PTO-1449 listing 4 references;
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §§§ 1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant submits this Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98 in the above-identified application for consideration by the Patent Office.

The present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120, to serial numbers 10/396,914; 10/373,134; 09/784,619 and 09/618,352, and all references cited in the parent applications should be considered by the Examiner. Under MPEP § 609, no copies of these references need be provided. The attached Form 1449 lists these references so the references should be printed on the patent.

Pursuant to CFR § 1.97(b)(3), because this Statement is being submitted before the first Office Action on the merits, no fee is required.

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Pursuant to CFR § 1.97(e)(1), each item contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or International application. Because this statement is being filed within three months of receipt of the Search Report, no fee is believed to be due. A copy of the Search Report is included and cited on the enclosed PTO-1449.

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